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BOARD MEETING AGENDA

*Western Washington University
Old Main 340
516 High Street, Bellingham 98225
March 30, 2006*

8:00 **Breakfast (Work Session) – Solarium, Old Main**
Informal discussion based upon committee meetings and other events

10:00 **Welcome and Introductions**

- Gene Colin, HECB Chair
- Dr. Karen Morse, President, Western Washington University

Approval of the Feb. 23, 2006 Meeting Minutes

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Consent Items

New Degree Program Approval: Ph.D. in Public Policy and Management

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The University of Washington seeks Higher Education Coordinating Board approval to offer a doctoral degree in Public Policy and Management at the main campus in Seattle.

Resolution 06-07

Amending the HECB Bylaws

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Proposed changes to board bylaws, as recommended by the Executive Committee, were presented to the board for information and discussion during its meeting in February.

Resolution 06-08

10:15 **Report of the Executive Director**

Executive Director Jim Sulton will report on the status of various agency programs and activities.

“Turning Promise into Practice” - a presentation by the League of Education Voters Foundation

The League of Education Voters Foundation (LEVf) is an organization dedicated to making Washington’s pre-schools, public schools, and colleges the best in the nation. LEVf President Lisa MacFarlane will present “*Turning Promise into Practice*,” a report that highlights successful approaches, including strong leadership, better data systems, strategic new investments, and committed citizens to guarantee a top-notch education for every single Washington student.

Status Report on Program and Facility Approval

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From December 2005 to February 2006, two program changes and planning activities were approved.

11:15 Executive Committee

Gene Colin, HECB chair

HECB Legislative Issues -- 2006 Status Report

Staff will present a summary of the 2006 legislative session, highlighting higher-education-related bills that passed.

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12:00 The board will recess for lunch.
(*Solarium, Old Main- no official business*)

1:00 Education Committee

Sam Smith, chair

The Role of Independent Colleges in Washington's Higher Education System

Washington rightfully prides itself on the wide range of institutions that comprise its statewide system of higher education. Violet Boyer, president & CEO of the Independent Colleges of Washington (ICW) will make a brief presentation to the board on the contributions of private colleges and universities to students, parents and families throughout the state.

1:30 **Proposal for Revisions to Current Accountability Framework**

The HECB is charged by law with establishing an accountability monitoring and reporting system. HECB staff will be joined by Office of Financial Management staff in presenting a proposed accountability framework intended to replace both the existing framework adopted by the HECB in 2005, and the accountability provisions included in the 2005-07 operating budget. This proposal for a revised framework was developed in collaboration with four-year institutions and the State Board for Community and Technical Colleges, and will be an action item at the May meeting.

6**2:00** Fiscal Committee

Mike Worthy, chair

2006 Supplemental Operating and Capital Budget as passed the legislature

Higher education supplemental operating and capital budgets passed by the legislature will be reviewed.

7**2:30** Financial Aid Committee

Jesus Hernandez, chair

Proposed Changes to State Rules – State Need Grant and State Work Study Programs

Board staff are proposing amendments to state rules for the State Need Grant and State Work Study programs to reflect recent changes in state law. A public hearing on the proposed rule changes is scheduled for May 23 at the HECB office. The board will be asked to consider adoption of the new rules at the July 27 board meeting.

8Public Comment**3:00** Adjournment

*Public Comment: A sign-in sheet is provided for public comment on any of the items presented above.
Meeting Accommodation: Persons who require special accommodation for attendance must call the HECB at 360.753.7800 as soon as possible before the meeting.*

HECB 2006 Meeting Calendar

Regular Board Meeting	Advisory Council Meeting	Location
February 16-17 Board Retreat		Seatac Hilton
February 23, Thursday 9:00 – 4:00		Everett Community College Jackson Center Auditorium 2000 Tower St, Everett
March 30, Thursday 10:00 – 3:00		Western Washington University Old Main 340 516 High St, Bellingham
	April 20, Thursday 10:00 – 2:00	Highline Community College Student Union Bldg (#8), Mt. Skokomish 2400 S 240 th , Des Moines
May 25, Thursday 10:00 – 3:00		Whitman College Reid Campus Center, Ballroom B 345 Boyer Avenue, Walla Walla
	June 22, Thursday 10:00 – 2:00	Pierce College, Puyallup College Center Bldg., Multi-Purpose Rm 1601 39 th Ave SE, Puyallup
July 27, Thursday 10:00 – 3:00		Grays Harbor Community College Building 200, Room 220 1620 Edward P. Smith Drive, Aberdeen
	August 24, Thursday 10:00 – 2:00	Tacoma Community College Senate Room, Opgaard Student Center 6501 S. 19 th , Tacoma
September 28, Thursday 8:00 – 5:00		State Investment Board Board Room 2700 Evergreen Parkway NW, Olympia
October 26, Thursday 10:00 – 3:00		Yakima Valley Community College Deccio Higher Education Ctr, Parker Room 16 th Avenue & Nob Hill Blvd, Yakima
	November 16, Thursday 10:00 – 2:00	Highline Community College Student Union Bldg (#8), Mt. Skokomish 2400 S 240 th , Des Moines
December 14, Thursday 10:00 – 3:00		University of Washington Walker Ames Room Seattle



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RESOLUTION NO. 06-05

WHEREAS, Eastern Washington University proposed to offer a Bachelor of Arts in Women's and Gender Studies; and

WHEREAS, The program would respond to demonstrated student demand by providing students with an opportunity to engage in interdisciplinary scholarship while developing skills in critical thinking and analysis, writing, and communication; and

WHEREAS, The program would serve the needs of employers and the community by preparing graduates to contribute to the community through work in a variety of service and advocacy organizations; and

WHEREAS, The program has undergone an extensive development and review process and has received support from external experts; and

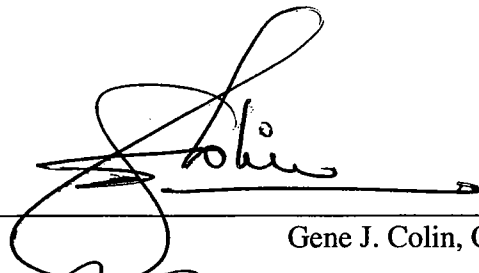
WHEREAS, The costs are reasonable;

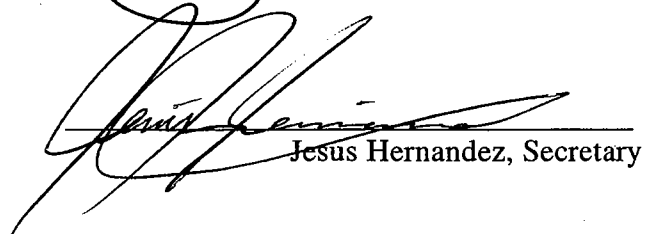
THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Higher Education Coordinating Board approves the Bachelor of Arts in Women's and Gender Studies.

Adopted:

February 23, 2006

Attest:



Gene J. Colin, Chair

Jesus Hernandez, Secretary



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RESOLUTION NO. 06-06

WHEREAS, The 2005 Legislature authorized expanded access to baccalaureate degree programs through the passage of House Bill 1794; and

WHEREAS, State law (RCW 28.76.230) directs the Higher Education Coordinating Board to report on progress in implementing the new authorities granted in the measure by December 2008; and

WHEREAS, The three branch campuses that received full authority to admit freshman students – WSU Vancouver, UW Tacoma, and UW Bothell – have made progress in admission of a freshman class for 2006; and

WHEREAS, The State Board for Community and Technical Colleges has worked closely with the Higher Education Coordinating Board to establish a process and criteria for the selection of pilot institutions to award Applied Baccalaureate Degrees and University Contracts; and

WHEREAS, Everett Community College has completed a draft plan for transition of the NSIS consortium to Everett Community College, using the “university center” model; and


WHEREAS, The Higher Education Coordinating Board has reviewed the proposed measures to assess progress in implementing strategies to expand access to baccalaureate degree programs, as authorized in House Bill 1794;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Higher Education Coordinating Board adopts the measures outlined in the *Status Report on Implementation of House Bill 1794*.

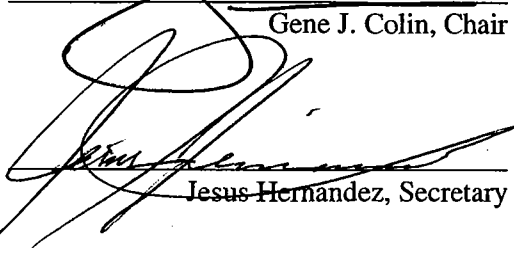
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Gene J. Colin, Chair



Jesus Hernandez, Secretary